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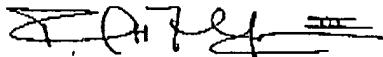
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Transmittal Letter and Petition for Extension of Time

Applicant: Reichert
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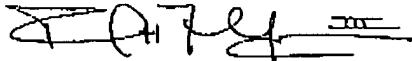
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Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith is a Notice of Appeal in this application. The Notice of Appeal fee of \$270 is enclosed.
2. Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the final office action to and through March 24, 2009, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of one month (\$65).

Total Additional Fee Due for this submission: \$335.00 Credit Card Authorization is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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